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ZILER SALTBOX
Route 36, National, Maryland
ca. 1870

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Ziler Saltbox

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 36

CITY, TOWN

National

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES RESTRICTED☐ YES UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Peter Ziler

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ziler Saltbox is located on the east side of Route 36 in National, Allegany County.

The Ziler house is an "L" shaped frame structure with a shed roof addition on the rear of the building. It is covered in a combination of weather board and clapboard and rests on a low stone foundation. The roof is gabled and covered with asphalt roofing material. Windows in the structure are double hung, wooden sash frames with two over two lights. Entrances are located on the east and west sides and feature doors with horizontal paneling. The main door is covered by a one bay hipped roof entrance porch. Two original corbeled brick chimneys are located in the interior and inside end of the building respectively.

The Ziler Saltbox is in fair condition and retains much of its original fabric and appearance.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES	ca. 1870	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Borden Mining Company
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

National Mines was one of four mines operated by the Consolidation Coal Company in the George's Creek area. The consolidation coal company was established in 1864 and eventually became the largest bituminous coal company in the United States.¹ Because of its size, the Consolidation Coal Company owned a large amount of real estate in the George's Creek area including the Ziler Saltbox.

The Ziler Saltbox is typical of the type of home constructed by a coal company in the second half of the 19th century. These houses were usually one and a half stories high with a roofed porch across the front of the house. There were no cellars, but the houses were set on low stone foundations. The frame was constructed of timbers mortised & tenoned together with horizontal weather board on the outside. Inside, rooms were plastered and painted while the outside was white washed. Rent for such a building cost a miner approximately \$4.00 per month which amounted to a little over 12% of a miner's annual income.²

1 Katherine A. Harvey, The Best Dressed Miners, (Ithaca, N.Y.;1969) p. 9

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Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .41 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

12/7/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AT VI-B-037

405/307

DATE: 11/19/76

41 Acre

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Ziler Saltbox

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Rt. 36, National

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: WEST

NAME OF OWNER: Peter Ziler 463-2202

ADDRESS: National, Md.

STORIES: 1() 2(☒) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(☒) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS:

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (☒) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- () BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- () STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- () LOG
- () Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS _____

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2(☒) 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged () nailed(☒) wide () narrow () mitred () pediment ()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: _____

HARDWARE: original() replaced(☒)
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 3 BRICK(☒) STONE() CORBELLED() original(☒) replaced(☒)
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end(☒) Outside end() Central() Interior(☒)

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - residence

Significance - miner's home

Date Constructed - 1860's

Condition - 1860's

SECTION VI QUADRANGLE B

STATE OF MARYLAND
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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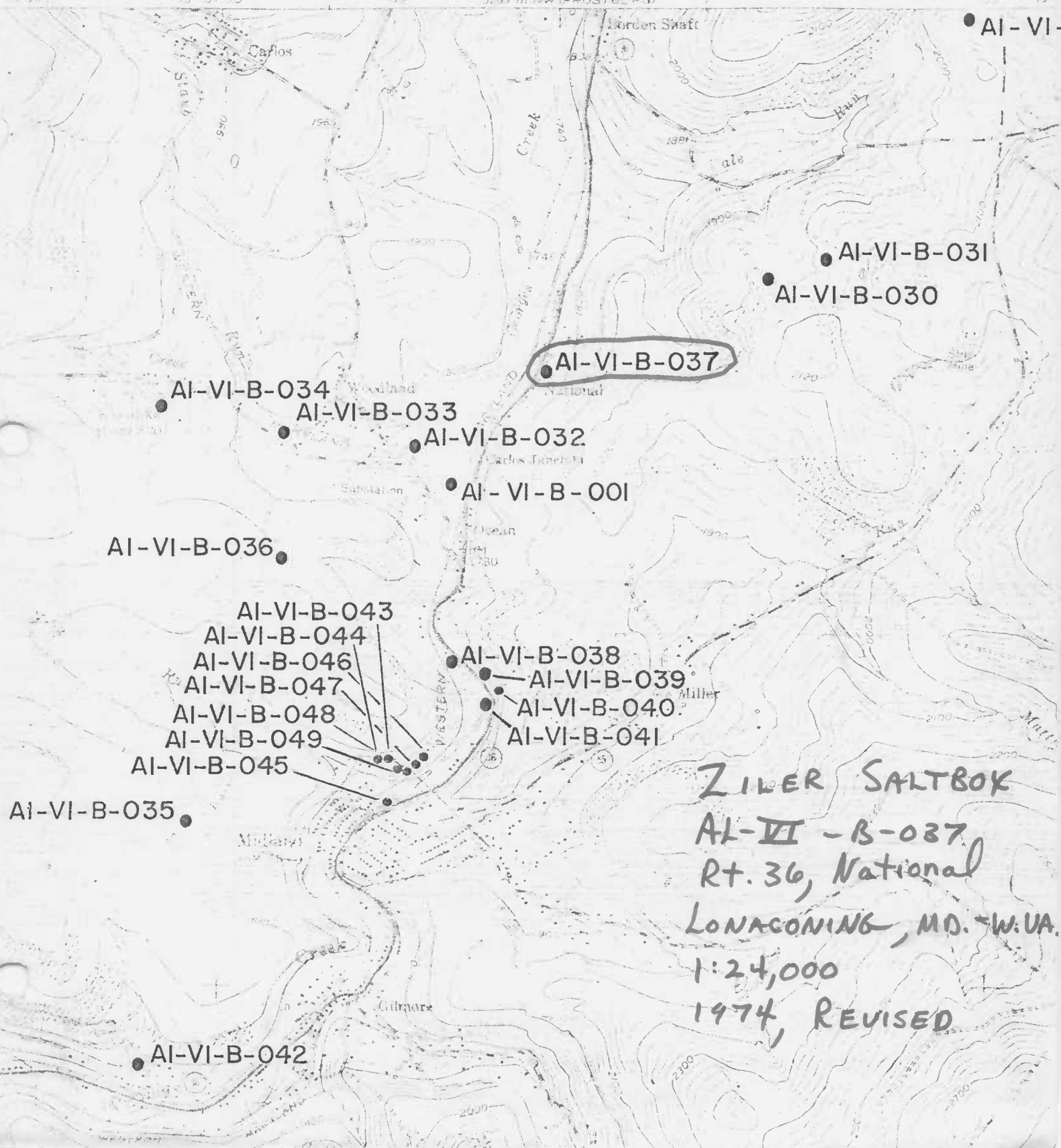
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5263 III NW (FROST BL PG)

STURGE FOUNDED 1834

575

675





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Rt. 36

National

John Nelson

11/19/76

Southwest



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Northeast